



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

At the request of Council President Connally, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Miller at 9:13 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairman Miller asked the Clerk to call the roll. Councilmembers Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Simon, Greenspan, Miller and Connally were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Mr. Jones, Mr. Brady and Ms. Conwell entered the meeting shortly after the roll call was taken. Mr. Rogers was in attendance for the 1:00 p.m. session.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

4. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2011-0291: A Resolution adopting the 2012/2013 Biennial Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Jeanne Schmotzer, Clerk of Council, read Resolution No. R2011-0291 into the record.

1) 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM:

- i) County Executive (Matt Carroll/Ed FitzGerald)

Mr. Matt Carroll, Chief of Staff to County Executive FitzGerald, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Office of the County Executive. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Carroll pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- ii) County Council (Joseph Nanni)

Mr. Joseph Nanni, Chief of Staff to the County Council, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the County Council. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Nanni pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- iii) Fiscal Office (Wade Steen)
 - a. Auditor/Recorder
 - b. Procurement & Diversity
 - c. Budget & Management
 - d. Capital Improvements Plan
 - e. Debt Service
 - f. County Budget Commission

Mr. Wade Steen, Fiscal Officer, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Fiscal Office. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Steen pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- iv) Treasurer (Richard Sensenbrenner)

Mr. Richard Sensenbrenner, Treasurer, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Office of the Treasurer. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Sensenbrenner pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- v) Board of Revision (Marty Murphy)

Mr. Marty Murphy, Board of Revision Administrator, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Board of Revision. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Murphy pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- vi) Internal Audit (Wade Steen)

Mr. Steen addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Department of Internal Auditing. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Steen pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

- vii) Inspector General (Nailah Byrd)

Ms. Nailah Byrd, Inspector General, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Agency of the Inspector General. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Byrd pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

Chairman Miller called the meeting into recess at 11:55 a.m.

2) 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM:

Chairman Miller reconvened the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

i) Prosecutor (Bill Mason)

Mr. Bill Mason, County Prosecutor, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Office of the Prosecutor. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Mason pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

ii) Law Director (Majeed Makhlof)

Mr. Majeed Makhlof, Director of Law, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Department of Law. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Makhlof pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

iii) Public Defender (Robert Tobik)

Mr. Robert Tobik, Public Defender, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Office of the Public Defender. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Tobik pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

iv) County Law Library (Kathy Sasala)

Ms. Kathy Sasala, Director of the County Law Library, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the County Law Library. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Sasala pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

A brief recess was taken by the Committee, after which Chairman Miller reconvened the meeting.

v) Court of Appeals (Mary Eileen Kilbane)

The Honorable Mary Eileen Kilbane, Administrative Judge for the Court of Appeals, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Court of Appeals. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Judge Kilbane pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

vi) Court of Common Pleas (Nancy A. Fuerst)

The Honorable Nancy A. Fuerst, Administrative and Presiding Judge for the Court of Common Pleas, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Court of Common Pleas. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Judge Fuerst pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

vii) Domestic Relations Court (Diane M. Palos)

The Honorable Diane M. Palos, Administrative Judge for the Domestic Relations Court, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Domestic Relations Court. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Judge Palos pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

viii) Juvenile Court (Thomas F. O'Malley)

The Honorable Thomas F. O'Malley, Administrative Judge for the Juvenile Court, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Juvenile Court. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Judge O'Malley pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

ix) Probate Court (Anthony J. Russo)

The Honorable Anthony J. Russo, Presiding Judge for the Probate Court, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Probate Court. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Judge Russo pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

6. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Greenspan with a second by Mr. Gallagher, the meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m., without objection.